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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the patent application of

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For: VIDEO SIGNAL REPRODUCING APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- [X] Ten (10) sheets of formal drawings, Figures 1-10(b).
- [] An Assignment of the invention to MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.
- [] Certified copy of Japanese application No. 2000-36141 filed February 15, 2000.
- [] A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- [] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- [X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- [] An Information Disclosure Statement.
- [X] The executed Declaration and Assignment and full filing fees will follow in due course.

| | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | Basic Fee | \$710.00 |
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| Total | | | | | |
| Claims | 5 - 20 = | - | x \$ 18.00= | \$ - | |
| Independent | | | | | |
| Claims | 1 - 3 = | - | x \$ 80.00= | \$ - | |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) | | | | | |
| (if applicable) | | | + \$ 270.00= | \$ | |
| Total | | | | | 710.00 |
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| Assignment recordation fee | | | \$ 40.00= | \$ | 40.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | | | \$750.00 |

- [] Our Check No. _____ in the amount of the total filing fee is enclosed. However, if the check is missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. . Two duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No.
: any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17; and any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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